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Washington, DC 20231

PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Re: PATENT APPLICATION
Inventors: Chentsau Ying; Jeng H. Hwang; Yong Deuk Ko; Se Jin Oh; Chan Ouk Jung
Title: METHOD OF REDUCING PARTICULATES IN A PLASMA ETCH CHAMBER
DURING A METAL ETCH PROCESS
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Transmitted herewith is the patent application identified above, including:

- Title Page, totaling 1 page.
- Specification, 26 pages; claims, 11 pages; and abstract, 1 page.
- Drawings totaling 6 pages, Formal Informal.
- Declaration and Power of Attorney (unexecuted).
- Assignment of the invention to Applied Materials, Inc.
- Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet
- Information Disclosure Statement, with Form PTO-1449, and reference copies
- Applicants hereby claim the benefit of priority under 35 USC § 119 for subject matter which is common to the present invention and which was previously disclosed in Korean Patent Application No. 10-2001-40309, filed July 6, 2001.
- Applicants hereby claim the benefit of priority under 35 USC § 120 for subject matter which is common to the present invention and which was previously disclosed in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/918,671, filed July 27, 2001.

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| Fee Items | Claims Filed | Included With Basic Fee | Extra Claims | Fee Rate | Total |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Total Claims | 60 | - 20 = | 40 | X \$18.00 | \$720.00 |
| Independent Claims | 6 | - 3 = | 3 | X \$84.00 | \$252.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims | | | | \$ 280.00 | \$00.00 |
| Basic Filing Fee | | | | \$740.00 | \$740.00 |
| TOTAL FEES | | | | | \$1,712.00 |

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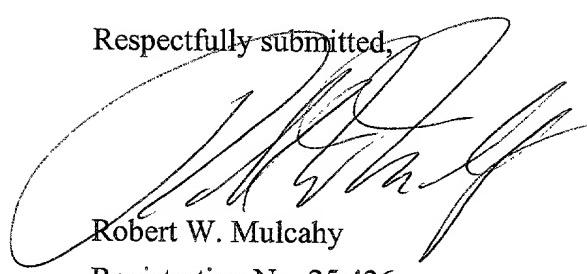
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